SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

Author: Sher		Analyst: Jea:	ni Brent	Bill Number:	SB 301
_					
Related B	ills: <u>See Prior Analysis</u>	<u>s</u> reiepnone: <u>8</u>	45-3410	Amended Date:	05/23/97
		Attorney: Dou	ıg Bramhall	Sponsor:	
SUBJECT : Salmon and Steelhead Trout Habitat Restoration Credit/Increases Amount and Extends Repeal Date					
	DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended				
X	AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.				
	AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended				
	FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.				
	DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO				
х	REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS INTRODUCED <u>February 7, 1997,</u> and AMENDED <u>March 31, 1997,</u> STILL APPLY.				
	OTHER - See comments below.				
SUMMARY OF BILL					
This bill would increase the amount of salmon and steelhead trout habitat restoration credit that may be claimed from 10% to 15% of the qualified costs incurred by the taxpayer and would increase the maximum credit that may be allocated to any one taxpayer in any year from \$50,000 to \$100,000.					
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT					
The amendment removed the language that would have increased the maximum annual aggregate amount of salmon and steelhead trout habitat restoration credit that may be granted to all taxpayers and that would have extended the repeal date two years.					
Except for the changes noted above and the following Tax Revenue Estimate, the department's prior analyses of the bill as introduced February 7, 1997, and as amended March 31, 1997, still apply.					
Tax Revenue Estimate					
As amended, the bill would result in a larger credit for each qualified taxpayer; however, any incremental revenue losses would be minor as the annual credit allocation to all taxpayers would remain at \$500,000. To the extent qualified taxpayers would be unable to apply the additional amount of credits allocated,					
DEPARTMENTS THAT MAY BE AFFECTED:					
STATE MANDATE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT					
Departmen	t Director Position: S O	Agency Secretary Po	sition:	GOVERNOR'S OFFICE	USE
	SA OUA NA NP NA NAR PENDING	S SA N NA DEFER TO	OUA NP NAR	Position Approved Position Disapproved Position Noted	i
Departmen	nt/Legislative Director Date	Agency Secretary	Date	Ву:	Date:

Senate Bill 301 (Sher) Amended May 23, 1997 Page 2

the stock of carryover credits potentially could increase revenue losses incrementally in subsequent years when carryover credits are applied.

This analysis does not consider the possible changes in employment, personal income, or gross state product that could result from this measure.

Tax Revenue Discussion

As amended, the bill would increase the credit percentage from 10% to 15% and the maximum credit per taxpayer per year from \$50,000 to \$100,000. The revenue impact of this bill was determined by: (1) the amount of qualified costs paid or incurred for salmon and steelhead trout habitat restoration and improvement projects, (2) the additional amount of credits that could be allocated to taxpayers in any given year, and (3) the amount of credits that could be applied to reduce tax liabilities.

Based on incomplete information to date for the initial years 1995 and 1996, credits allocated by the Department of Fish and Game are less than \$200,000.